



Catholic Grandparents Association
St. Faustina, Clermont, FL, USA
Pastor: Fr. Carlos Caban
Ministry Leader: Jerilyn Polson

Meeting Summary June 18, 2024

Attendance: 6 (2 new members)

Grandchildren prayed for: 105

Ministry leader, Jerilyn Polson, opened with the Grandparents prayer read in unison, followed by the Enrollment Prayer due to new members in attendance. Members shared family news, particularly about grandchildren, then we prayed together for all the grandchildren of our parishioners.

Business discussed included reminders to subscribe on the CGA website, planning for Grandparents Day 2024 in our parish, and our July meeting to mark World Day and the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne in a special way. It was agreed to ask for the following on the weekend of September 7 & 8 to mark Grandparents Day in the U.S.:

- * display of the Saints Anne and Joachim painting somewhere other than the crowded sanctuary area

- * creation and display of grandchildren photos, representing the heartfelt prayer petitions of their grandparents, in the lobby/atrium area

- * blessing of grandparents at all Masses

- * table outside to hand out Forget-Me-Not seed packets, CGA prayer cards while supplies last, and to share information about the Grandparents Ministry

Members were enlisted to work on each item listed above, and Jerilyn will meet with the pastor next week to ask for his approval and guidance.

Our next meeting will take place July 17 in the Polson home and include a pot luck lunch in celebration of World Day and Saints Joachim & Anne.

The topic for the June meeting was a continuation from the May topic, which was led by Deacon Cris Stout, on how to talk about faith with adult or older teen grandchildren.

After reviewing some key points, such as living the faith and loving others more than preaching, discussion focused on the importance of knowing why we believe what we believe ourselves, which is of course unique and personal to each of us.

Jerilyn recommended the June CGA Faith Café led by author Lorene DuQuin, “When Bad Things Happen to Good Grandparents...” for a future meeting topic, and reminded everyone to register for these in order to view the recording later.